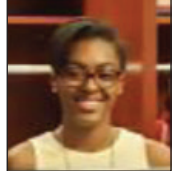


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## Council Approves Budget, Expands Ethics Commission

by Diane Oberg

At its June 3 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council approved the budget for Fiscal Year 2020 incorporating the changes identified by council at the May 28 final budget worksession. Council also debated whether to authorize spending up to \$3,150 for a consultant to conduct a review of the city manager. After some discussion, it also increased the size of the city Ethics Commission to five members. Several other actions on the consent agenda were approved without discussion.

### Budget

The main changes to the budget as proposed by City Manager Nicole Ard include recording changes to budget estimates such as the cost of health insurance and motor vehicle fuel. In addition, council added \$5,000 for training for Community Development staff, approved a \$1,000 increase to funding for bicycle racks, changed the funding for

contribution groups and selected city boards and committees. In addition, council added \$78,500 to the Friends of Greenbelt Theatre, as specified in their agreement with the city, to cover estimated losses while the theater is closed for four months for the installation of a new roof and a new heating, ventilating and air conditioning system.

With the 1.5 cent increase in the city's property tax rate proposed by Ard and unchanged by council, the \$31.2 million budget now has a surplus of \$34,500. This increase is over and above the increased revenue generated by the current tax rate due to higher residential assessments. Council also added several major property improvements to the budget proposal to be funded through the Building Capital Reserve Fund, including a \$5,000 renovation of the kitchen in the

See **COUNCIL**, page 8

## The Beauty of Dreams Evoked In ERHS Art Student Mosaic

by Melissa Sites



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE WILKIN

The new mosaic at ERHS shows a young woman graduating and reaching for her dreams.

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Two hundred Art 1 students are piecing together a new tile mosaic in which a young African American woman, wearing a graduation cap and robe, carries the world in her hands. The mural, with a shimmering backdrop of night sky against a bank of whimsical clouds representing thoughts and dreams, will be installed over the summer on the brick wall of one of the main hallways of Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The project was led by visual arts instructor Christine Wilkin and Artist-in-Residence David Silva and funded by a grant from Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council.

Students submitted propos-

als for the design in response to the Eleanor Roosevelt quotation: "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." A focus group, including students Daisy Bright-Chi, Abigail Jorgenson and Kelly Han, discerned a common theme from the proposals.

The mosaic is the final project of the school year for Art 1 students. "This is a fun way to do a final with everyone working together to finish the mosaic," stated Wilkin. "A collaborative project is more real world [experience] for artists than a standardized test."

Elroy Jacobs, a rising senior, worked on the cloud background. To Jacobs, working on the mosaic for school demonstrates how

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## Faith Leaders, Council Talk Gun Violence, Communication

by Eugene Jesse Nash IV



PHOTO BY EUGENE JESSE NASH IV

Faith leaders attend a worksession with councilmembers on June 5.

Council met with members and leaders of nine faith groups over coffee and cookies on Wednesday, June 5, to discuss how they can work together to address the needs of the community. Also in attendance was Greenbelt Chief of Police Richard Bowers.

The night was advertised to be an informal meetup, but morphed into a more formal worksession.

The meeting had not previously been advertised as a worksession on the city's website and was also not video-taped, as most worksessions are. Still, the

city manager's office apologized to the News Review the next day for the meetup's last-minute conversion to a formal worksession when councilmembers sat in a round table manner around the

See **FAITH**, page 9

## 18th Annual Crazy Quilt Fest Celebrates Music, Diversity

by Matthew Arbach

On June 8, the Roosevelt Center was alive with a colorful variety of musical styles at the 18th Annual Crazy Quilt Music Festival, organized by the New Deal Café. From a drum circle to a mixture of rock, pop, blues and country (at times all represented in one band), the concept, said head organizer Joseph Harris, is to display "the crazy quilt of life" through music. While some

of the bands include Greenbelters, what was common throughout was that each band has a "good relationship with the New Deal Café," said Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA) president Meg Haney.

The festival opened, for at least the third year, with the Music Workshop for Special Needs Adults, led by David Kiasi. Their goal is to enable "special needs

adults to become better musicians and to perform for audiences." Their set consisted of cover songs like Uptown Funk and included an original song entitled Simple Love.

Next was a drum circle, led by professional drum facilitator Katy Gaughan. Gaughan, who does many such events throughout the area, seeks to "reduce your stress and enjoy self-care as you bond with others and create connections through the joyful vibrations of the drum."

A succession of bands played from 2 to 8p.m. They were Georgie Jessup and the



PHOTO BY MATTHEW ARBACH

Georgie Jessup and the Philosopher Dogs play at the Crazy Quilt Festival in Roosevelt Center on Saturday, June 8.

### What Goes On

**Monday June 17**  
8 p.m. Council Regular Meeting, Municipal Building  
**Wednesday June 19**  
8 p.m. Council Worksession w/GATe, Community Center  
**Saturday June 22**  
11 a.m. Pedestrian and Bicycle Task Force, Community Center



# Letters to the Editor

## Ailing Trees

The May 23 Greenbelt News Review reported on two ailing trees near the Community Center slated to be removed because they represent a threat to people nearby. Meanwhile, a tree located in a tiny fenced plot on Crescent Road and dedicated to the memory of Eleanor Roosevelt is leafless and may be dead. Few people pass by this tree on foot; those traveling in vehicles cannot read the memorial plaque. Something positive can come of these losses. Greenbelt can plant one or more new trees and dedicate them to Eleanor Roosevelt's memory. Her friendship with our city is recounted on a Greenbelt Museum historical plaque near the Community Center. Flourishing trees would be an enrichment for Greenbelt that she would heartily endorse.

(The Rev.) Charles Hoffacker

Talk to your neighbors. Make sure everybody knows what's going on. Send a delegation or write a letter to apartment management and tell them what's going on. They may want to post on the front door of the building, since this situation carries other risks besides fraud; one company has been reported on the Internet as basically holding residents hostage and subjecting them to racist abuse once they got in the door.

If you get a phone call of this type, remember, Pepco/Excelon will never call you about your account. Be pre-emptive. Put all your friends, relatives, and businesses in your contacts list. All other phone calls should be allowed to go to voice mail. Most scammers will not leave voice mail; it wastes their time.

Let's be careful out there.

Patty Heil

## They're Ba-a-a-ck! (Or Just Say No)

The power scammers, those door-to-door salespersons offering a deal on alternative sources of energy, are back. Here is how not to get your power slammed.

1. Warn them off. Put a sign on your service side or front door saying "No Door to Door Calls."

2. In case they ignore that, tell them to their faces and close the door.

3. If they claim to be working for Pepco, ask them for their contractor ID (this is always on the truck of a real Pepco contractor as I know from experience) and close the door if they don't have it.

4. Never let them in.

5. Never give them your bill or account number.

If they tell you that all your neighbors are doing it, that's a lie. Posts on the Greenbelters Facebook group show that, not only are your neighbors doing the above, they are also calling the police. One post said the visitor lied, saying that Lakeside North management okayed their visit. The person who posted that called the police.

## Improved Service

My thanks go to Lois Rosado for her letter in the June 6 issue of the News Review. Because I read it, I discovered an option I didn't know I had, namely, that I could have my cellphone service improved - at home at least - without having to wait for Verizon to erect a cellphone tower near Belle Point. I called up Verizon soon after I read the letter and the representative stepped me through the process for making Wi-Fi calls. I found on my Wi-Fi call with the representative that I had much better reception throughout the house and our call didn't drop, as calls often did in the past. So, I would suggest trying the Wi-Fi route first to see if it works for you. If it does, you will get improved service in your home quicker than going the internal service extender route and without having another piece of equipment in your home.

Germaine Timmermans

## I Wish Maglev Were Operational

Thanks to Jesse Nash for his

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## Corrections

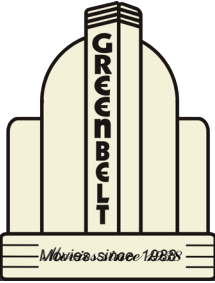
Terri Hruby's title was incorrect in last week's story on Alternative Transportation Modes. She is the Director of the Department of Planning and Community Development.

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## On Screen

*The Old Greenbelt Theatre is screening its first-run films in the Community Center in the Ground Floor East Suite until further notice. Follow the signs and arrows leading the way.*

## Meeting Gorbachev

Meeting Gorbachev, a 2018 documentary film directed by Werner Herzog and André Singer, details the life of the eighth and last leader of the Soviet Union who helped end the Cold War.

The director's eye for irony and wry humor comes through, as well as his appreciation of the amusing oddities of history. Gorbachev's vision for a social democracy spanning the whole of Europe was never realized. A warm and engaging valedictory to one of the profoundly influential figures of the 20th century, it may leave audiences in a melancholy mood about the sometimes short-lived nature of reform.

Documentary – NR Running time: 92 minutes

## Art & Mind

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Written and directed by Amélie Ravalee, and starring Gérard Audinet, Bruno Decharme and Anne-Marie Dubois, this film is a journey into art and madness: an exploration of visionary artists and the creative impulse, from the Flemish Masters of the Renaissance to the avant-garde movement of Surrealism and the unsung geniuses of Art Brut.

The film features interviews with art historians, artists, museum curators, psychiatrists, neuroscientists, as well as 350 artworks from museums and collections worldwide.

Documentary - NR Running time: 70 minutes

- Judy Bell







# Obituaries

## Jeffrey D. Walters



Jeffrey David Walters

Jeffrey David Walters, 40, died of a heart attack on Monday, June 3, 2019. He was a church-going man of many hats from musician to artist, intercontinental adventurer to local handyman, and the impact of his many works extended to hundreds of people.

Born in Lanham, Mr. Walters graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School in 1997, having already made his presence known in his community and state through his musical abilities. Playing the trombone, piano, guitar, cello and trumpet, he frequently performed at his home church, Wallace Presbyterian Church, and twice achieved first-chair trombone in the Maryland-All State Band.

Mr. Walters graduated with a degree in music from Florida State University. He discovered a passion for adventure photography, and frequented haunted locations in Maryland and traveled overseas with his camera to Mexico, Jamaica, Ireland, England, Italy, France and China.

He remained involved in his home church, participating in the worship team, choir, ESL, computer tech support team and youth group.

He married Stephanie Lynn Walters in 2016, and their daughter, Audrey Rose Walters, was

born in 2018. He is remembered by his wife for balancing tradition with the obscure, silliness with affection and music with art. Mr. Walters is survived by his wife, daughter, brother Philip Walters, and two nephews.

## Sandra N. Ball



Sandra Nicole Ball

Greenbelt resident Sandra Nicole Ball died on June 6, 2019. She was 29 years old.

She grew up in Mercersburg, Pa., and Alpena, Mich., where she followed professional basketball and played in a youth league. She also became a Harry Potter fan. Her love of that series of movies and books turned her into an avid reader which served her well in school. She graduated near the top of her class from

James Buchanan High School in Mercersburg. She went on to take courses at Shippensburg University and Anne Arundel Community College but did not complete a degree.

In the past few years she had worked as a bank teller and retail store clerk in the Washington, D.C., area. She was very capable with computers and could straighten out almost any software issue. While she worked as a store clerk she met her boyfriend of eight years, Raymond Hilliard, who stopped in as a customer one day.

Throughout her life Ms. Ball was known to be an exceptionally kind and gentle person. She had the intelligence and empathy to find the right thing to say to put a person at ease no matter what the situation. She took an extra delight in watching her late brother's son, Damien, become a nice young man in his own right and spent outings with him on the weekends.

She is survived by her parents and maternal grandparents, aunts and uncles, and many extended family members. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 22, at 11 a.m. at Borgwardt Funeral Home at 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. A donation to a favorite charity in lieu of flowers would be welcome.



Condolences to family and friend of Jeffrey Walters who died on June 3.

We were saddened to learn of the death on June 6 of Greenbelt resident Sandy Ball.

Congratulations to Dylan Baker, who received a graduate degree at the University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth commencement ceremony on May 13.

Congratulations to Jumoke Oladapo of the IvyLaw Group, who has been named one of the Top 10 immigration attorneys in Maryland for the third consecutive year.

Congratulations to Edward Henry II, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Murray of Greenbelt, who has been a Justice on the High Court of England since October 1 of last year and was knighted, with several other justices, by Queen Elizabeth II on Tuesday in London. Sir Edward Henry II is a graduate of St. Hugh's School

(Greenbelt), St Anselm's Abbey School (D.C.), Trinity College Dublin and Harvard Law.

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.



## Jeff Chapman Remembrance

A remembrance celebration will be held for Thomas "Jeff" Chapman at the Greenbelt American Legion on Friday, June 14, from 5 to 8 p.m. Mr. Chapman, a previous resident of Greenbelt, died on April 11, at age 73.

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# Council Talks Police Matters, Dog Waste, Charging Stations

by Cathie Meetre

At its regular meeting on May 28, Council found itself divided on the Three Stooges. All found them funny, but Councilmembers Silke Pope, Edward Putens and Judith Davis were not big fans, while Mayor Emmett Jordan likes them and Councilmember Colin Byrd found them heartwarming. This polarization emerged as council discussed a request from James William Thompson who sponsored a showing of the Three Stooges movie, You Nazy Spy, at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Thompson wanted the city to request that the Librarian of Congress add the movie to the National Film Registry of the Library of Congress for its telling satire on the rise of Nazi Germany. Council congratulated Thompson on his generosity in treating the community to the movie and voted 4 to 3 to send a letter – commenting that the deep divisions of this time made the movie all the more relevant and comparable. Davis and Pope noted their opposition was not because they thought the film undeserving but because they felt it was for individual Greenbelters to write, rather than council.

## Police Matters

In response to a question from William Orleans, City Manager Nicole Ard noted that money allocated but unused in last year's budget for officer training in cultural sensitivity would be used for that purpose this year. This was confirmed by Lieutenant Timothy White of the Greenbelt police who also described the new communications equipment for which money is set aside. The new equipment is part of a state initiative to improve emergency service communication and, with the exception of New Carrollton, is already in use throughout Prince George's County in communities where the county handles dispatching of police. The new and old systems will be used in parallel for approximately a year, with an anticipated kick-off this coming January. The city has successfully negotiated discounts with vendors to reduce the cost significantly and has also used money from last year's budget to offset expenses that would have been in the 2020 budget. Fees are a one-time expense. Byrd congratulated the police department on its successful approach to containing cost.

With White at the podium, Councilmember Rodney Roberts took the opportunity to note that he had received a complaint about recent behavior at Buddy Attick Park. A resident com-

plained to him that a large group of people with a generator and four large light poles were having a party in the park late one evening recently and there seemed to be significant alcohol use. White responded that the police department had also heard the concerns and was planning increased patrols. Other councilmembers reported that partying was making a comeback in local parks and Putens noted that Schrom Hills Park had also recently played host to a party that seemed to feature smokable products – he was a little coy about naming them (to the amusement of his colleagues). He observed that there seems to be an approximately five year blip where these activities suddenly increase.

## Dog Waste

Public Works Director Jim Sterling spoke about increasing the number of dog waste disposal stations, colloquially known as poop stations. The city is seeking grant money to increase coverage and to have stations with an integrated bag supply. He noted that the city found both regular trash in poop stations and poop in regular trash cans and also pointed out that the Greenbelt Station park has multiple facilities. Pope was concerned by the lack of trash cans on the far side of the lake, and reminded Sterling of the availability of compostable dog poop bags.

Davis noted that the poop stations installed by Greenbriar Phase 1 have worked well after some initial troubles, and are now throughout the development. She described how, on her way to the meeting, she had alertly side-stepped, achieving a near miss as she took a short cut across the grass by the Municipal Building.

Jordan stated that objections to station siting had come from a member of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board and Roberts also wondered how the dog waste question squared with the master plan. Jordan replied that it did not. Staff was requested to research this question.

Sterling also commented on a number of other ongoing city concerns. In response to a question from Jordan on the refurbishment of the Old Greenbelt Theatre, he said that public works staff would be pulling out the center rows of seats in preparation for the contractor installing scaffolding to reach the ceiling throughout the auditorium. This was in advance of the contractor starting work Monday, June 3 for a 90-day cycle, followed by a second 90 days during which other improvements would be made by the city.

Sterling analyzed the approximately 15-hour power outage that struck the Roosevelt Center just before the Memorial Day week-

end. The fault was pinpointed, after approximately eight hours, to an underground line between the Municipal Building and the Youth Center which was affected when a pole-mounted device blew. The problem took several hours to fix temporarily and Pepco will be running a new permanent cable from manhole to manhole in the near future.

## Charging Stations

Council approved the acquisition of two more electric charging stations at total cost of about \$16k exclusively for city use for its three – soon to be four – Chevy Volts. Sterling noted that the city received \$15k toward this energy efficiency – not all it asked for – from grants. The shortfall is the reason the stations are the less expensive and slower charging Level 2 versions. Public Works also anticipates getting rebates from the Maryland Energy Administration and they have already received a check from EVI for electricity usage sales that offsets the initial costs for existing stations. Sterling said they are anticipating putting Level 2 charging stations throughout the city. He noted that the ability to provide charging stations at a particular level was also a function of the amperage of electricity available. The Level 3 stations take a much higher current and are therefore more expensive to install and less easily sited.

Roberts observed that with Level 2 stations in a public place, a car may need to stay overnight to charge fully, so each station can only serve very few people. Level 3 charging would take about 1.5 hours. There was some discussion why the city was trying to provide personal gas stations since the charging times effectively restrict use to a very few individuals in a day. Sites discussed by Sterling included city-owned locations like Schrom Hills Park and Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Roberts wondered how many residents would want to leave their cars charging there, essentially overnight and felt that residents should provide their own charging stations. This view was echoed by Byrd. Despite the concerns about wider dissemination of charging stations, the motion, which affected only the charging stations acquired for city vehicles, was passed.

## Sign Language Interpreters

In an aside during the meeting, Davis noted that the sign language interpreter left at 10 p.m., leaving the deaf community with no access to what is happening after that time. Staff was requested to investigate having the interpreter remain until the end of the meeting and also to explore the possibility of closed captioning.

# Roosevelt Senior Carla Rose Wins Allstate Scholarship

Carla Rose, a senior at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS), was one of the 14 Maryland high school seniors who received a scholarship presented by the Allstate Foundation and the Maryland Pub-

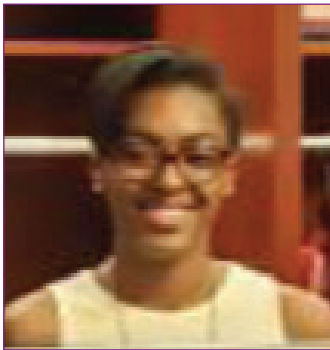


PHOTO BY SANDY STEWART

Carla Rose

lic Secondary Schools Athletic Association (MPSSAA). The Minds in Motion scholarship recipients were chosen from almost 700 applications recognizing those who have excelled on the playing field and in the classroom.

“The Allstate Foundation is proud to support these next generation leaders and history-makers from Maryland,” said Shaundra Turner Jones, Allstate senior corporate relations manager. “These amazing young students have shown outstanding initiative both in and outside of the

classroom. It is an honor to assist them in their future endeavors and watch them achieve their full potential.”

Rose is a member of the Prince George's County Honors Band and the ERHS Induction Committee. She

has also received the Silver and Gold Ambassador Scout awards from the Girl Scouts and been an international science fair finalist.

She is an eight-season athlete who participated in golf all four years, along with basketball and track and field. Rose was named the 2019 Metro Girls Golfer of the Year.

She will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison on a Posse Foundation full tuition scholarship where she plans to double major in computer science and mechanical engineering.

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the community “should all come together and be like a family in school ... and have a good time.”

Danyel Allison, also a rising senior, learned how to cut tiles and affix them in all the different parts of the mosaic. “I’ve learned that the tiles will stick to the background,” she said. “I didn’t know how they were put together and now I’m learning how to do it myself.”

Patrick Richards, ninth grader, is a young artist entrepreneur who has started his own business customizing shoes. From the project, Richards learned “about placement and variety, so that we can get the best product.”

Adding art to the walls of ERHS has been a priority for Wilkin since she arrived at the school and found the staff concerned about student stress lev-

els. Principal Reginald McNeill and many ERHS teachers supported beautifying the windowless school with images from the natural world and students’ imaginations. The mosaic will join painted murals already in place at ERHS.

Wilkin and Silva were two of the lead artists who designed the Paint Branch Underpass mural in College Park. The mural was completed in summer 2018 by students working for Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Previously, Silva worked with Arts on the Block, a group that trains and employs high school students in Montgomery County to beautify Silver Spring with mosaics. Past work includes a large mosaic in the underpass near the Georgia Avenue Metro.



## NOMINATION FORM

### Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen

Submit this form by July 29, 2019 to: Bob Zugby, Chair  
Outstanding Citizen Committee  
94 Ridge Road; Greenbelt, MD 20770

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a statement (preferably printed or typed), which explains why this nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time, specific accomplishments during period of service, the impact on Greenbelt or on people within the City, and personal qualities which make the nominee special. Award is for volunteer (unpaid) work only. Supporting printed material is useful to the Committee but is not required. Testimonials by others as to the person's good works will be helpful.

You may be contacted for additional information. If you prefer, send this form now and complete the statement later, but no later than the July 29th deadline.

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you!

## Shalom Pottery: Peace Through Art Exhibit

Greenbelt artist Judy Goldberg-Strassler will present an exhibition of crystalline porcelain ceramics along with a reception at Tatem Art Center, Hodson Gallery at Hood College in Frederick on Saturday, June 22 at 5 p.m. An artist talk will follow at 5:30 p.m. Both the reception and the exhibition are free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Michelle Schulte, director of the galleries, [Schulte@hood.edu](mailto:Schulte@hood.edu).



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Saturday & Sunday

June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>

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# Business

## Business Column Now Open for Business

The News Review invites Greenbelt businesses to submit brief announcements for the business column. Tell us about events such as new employees, anniversaries, awards won, new programs, and other newsworthy items. Send brief (40-50 words) items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

## Local Immigration Attorney Named to the “10 Best List”

Jumoke F. Oladapo has been named for the third consecutive year as one of The American Institute of Legal Counsel (AIOLC)’s 10 best immigration attorneys in Maryland for client satisfaction. She is managing attorney at the IvyLaw Group, focusing on immigration, trusts and estates.

AIOLC is a third-party attorney rating organization that publishes an annual list of Top 10 Immigration Attorneys in each state. Attorneys are selected to the “10 Best” list through a rigorous selection process, which is based on client or peer nominations, thorough research and AIOLC’s independent evaluation.

AIOLC’s annual list was created to be used as a resource for clients during the attorney selection process.

One of the most significant aspects of the selection process involves attorneys’ relationships and reputation among his or her clients. As clients should be an attorney’s top priority, AIOLC places the utmost emphasis on selecting lawyers who have achieved significant success in the field of immigration without sacrificing the service and support they provide. Selection criteria therefore focus on attorneys who demonstrate the highest standards of client satisfaction.

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insightful article in the June 6 issue of News Review about the meeting hosted by Alonzo Washington on May 29, in Riverdale Park. The topic was the proposed transportation improvements for Maryland, one of which is the maglev. Most people who speak at meetings about the maglev are negative, mostly about fears of the technology, its uselessness to Greenbelters when it only travels between Baltimore and Washington, and short-term inconvenience during the build process. Whereas, thinking about the potential long-term gains provide a more positive view.

The article mentioned my statement about arriving home from Newark airport much faster if the maglev were operational now.

This is the information that I presented at the meeting.

A couple weeks ago my partner and I returned from vacation in Europe. Our flight into Newark (EWR) was comfortable,

uneventful, and on time, landing at 1:50 p.m. Our connecting flight to Washington Reagan (DCA) was scheduled to depart at 6:15 p.m. and arrive at 7:45 p.m. so we should have been home in Greenbelt about 9 p.m. However, when we arrived at the gate at EWR for the flight to DCA, we discovered the plane was delayed at its source and would not leave EWR until 9 p.m. Later, that was revised to 10 p.m. then to 10:06 p.m. It finally left EWR about 10:20 p.m. We arrived home about 12:30 a.m. We had been awake for about 25 hours!!! And we were thoroughly exhausted.

If the maglev had been operational, with easy connection from the Newark airport, we could have been home in Greenbelt before 6 p.m., 6.5 hours earlier than actual. And we would have been much less tired.

The maglev train would have also been quieter, much more comfortable, unaffected by weather, and would have been much

less polluting than the connecting airplane. Taking an airplane flight is the most polluting thing a person can do, in addition to all the environmental degradation caused by the extraction and refining of the fuel. The maglev uses electricity, preferably generated by solar, wind or other renewable non-polluting methods.

Amtrak and MARC cannot travel nearly as fast as Maglev, can be affected by weather, and will provide a much bumpier ride. Amtrak only has 1 train per hour, at best, and takes 3 hours between EWR and Union Station. Whereas, maglev trains will run several times per hour and only take 1 hour from EWR to DC (even less time to BWI), giving us more options.

Please build the maglev as quickly as you can.

Joyce Wineland

(More maglev letters will be published next week.)

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Community Center’s Multipurpose Room, \$30,000 each for police station renovation to accommodate the animal control staff and a key card system that is expandable to other city facilities if needed in the future.

This last item caused the main controversy of the evening. Councilmember Rodney Roberts voted against the budget because he does not believe that the improvements to the theater HVAC system and roof are being properly done and he felt that the tax increase could lead to pricing people out of the city. The budget ordinance was approved by a 5-1 vote with Roberts opposed.

### Evaluation

On a 4-2 vote with Councilmembers Roberts and Colin Byrd opposed, council authorized the expenditure of up to \$3,150 to hire a consultant to interview department heads and other city staff to conduct a performance review of the city manager. According to Fit Small Business “360-degree feedback, also known as a 360-performance review, includes feedback not only from the employee’s supervisor, but also from the employee’s customers, vendors, peers and/or direct reports.”

The city has prices from two consultants, one for \$3,150 and

one for \$2,250. The lower bid includes just the 360-degree performance review while the higher includes consolidating the councilmember responses to the current evaluation and being present by phone when council holds its meeting with the city manager. The authorization leaves council leeway to decide whether to just hire a company for the 360-performance review or for the broader scope of the higher bid.

### Ethics Commission

In its report #2019-1, the city’s Ethics Commission requested that it be increased to five members, up two from its current size. Robert Zugby, the commission chair, said that the increase was necessary to ensure that there were sufficient commission members available to review cases. Council unanimously approved the request.

### Proclamations

Mayor Emmett Jordan presented proclamations declaring the second week of June to be Chesapeake Bay Awareness week, June to be Small Cities Month and Friday, June 7 to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day in Greenbelt.

### Consent Agenda

Council unanimously approved several items on the consent agenda without discussion. These

included:

Approved two letters to be sent to the State Highway Administration summarizing the city’s comments and concerns regarding the Baltimore Loop Project.

Approved sending a letter to the Maryland Board of Public Works opposing the expansion of the Capital Beltway and Interstate 270 through a public-private partnership (P3) and supporting the proposed method for selecting a developer for the P3 project.

Granted recognition group status to four additional groups.

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## Nominations for 2019 Outstanding Citizen

by Bob Zugby

Behind every successful nonprofit organization in Greenbelt is a team of volunteers. Without volunteers, the city’s cooperatives would not function. Without concerned citizens who freely give their time, the City of Greenbelt would not benefit from the work and feedback provided by its Advisory Committees. Volunteers run youth programs. Without their leadership, sports programs and scout programs would be impossible. Volunteers shuttle senior citizens to their medical appointments. Many people benefit from the work of volunteers. Volunteerism is the very soul of the Greenbelt Community. Greenbelt’s Labor Day Festival is a time for residents to recognize and honor volunteers for their selfless contributions and recognize the irreplaceable impact of their time and energy.

The opening ceremonies of Greenbelt’s Labor Day Festival will include the announcement of Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen for 2019. Besides recognition and congratulatory proclamations, the honoree serves as the Grand Marshal for the Labor Day Parade.

A Committee selects 2019’s Outstanding Citizen, but that selection is made from nominations submitted from the community. Identifying that special person in a city of citizen volunteers requires input from citizens like you! Greenbelt residents may nominate candidates for this year’s Outstanding Citizen by completing the nomination form on page 7. Describe, in your own words, your nominee’s contributions or acts of kindness. Nominations are due by July 29. This year’s honoree will be the 47th since the award began in 1973.

All Greenbelt residents know individuals from our town who have distinguished themselves for their outstanding volunteer service to the community. Rarely do they receive the recognition they deserve. History indicates that many of Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizens have been nominated several times before their selection. The Outstanding Citizen Selection Committee invites Greenbelt residents to submit nominations for outstanding citizen by July 29.

Bob Zugby is the chair of the Outstanding Citizen Selection Committee.

## Greenbelt Community Development Corporation’s Annual Meeting

Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 2- 4:00 pm at the Greenbelt Community Center, Room 202

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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, [www.greenbeltmd.gov/police](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police)  
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

**Assault**  
May 31, 4:25 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace. A man entered an apartment building, pointed a handgun at a man sitting on the steps and threatened him. The man on the steps fled and contacted police.

June 1, 9:28 p.m., 6100 block Greenbelt Road. A man was assaulted at the bus stop by as many as four men. He was transported to UM Prince George’s Hospital Center for treatment of a head injury.

June 3, 7:30 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 17-year-old nonresident youth was petitioned for second degree assault after he allegedly punched an acquaintance several times during a verbal altercation. A parent was notified and action by the Juvenile Justice System is pending.

**Reckless Endangerment**  
June 5, 12:26 a.m., 9200 block Edmonston Road. Several gunshots were fired in the area by a person described as being a black male with a beard, wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans. He fled and there were no reports of injuries.

**Fraud**  
June 1, 12:45 p.m., 100 block Rosewood Drive. A man received a check in the mail along with an opportunity to be a secret shopper and was instructed to deposit the check in his bank account, purchase a gift card and give the card information to the caller over the phone. The victim did so and later discovered the check was fraudulent.

**Disorderly Conduct**  
June 1, 11:07 a.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 55-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct after officers responded to a report of a person yelling obscenities at security officers in front of Giant Food. He was released on citation pending trial.

**Burglary**  
May 30, 9:45 a.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace. A residence was entered and the interior was vandalized.

**Vandalism**  
June 2, 3:44 p.m., 100 block Westway. The outer glass pane of an apartment window was broken out.

**Vehicle Crime**  
Four vehicles stolen from Greenbelt were recovered in neighboring jurisdictions. A 2007 GMC SUV reported stolen October 28, 2018 from the 6900 block of Hanover Parkway was recovered May 31 by Montgomery County police in the 500 block Brookville Road in Gaithersburg. A 2003 Acura TL taken from the 9100 block Springhill Court was recovered by D.C. Metropolitan police prior to being reported stolen after it was involved in a hit and run accident.

Prince George’s County police recovered two vehicles. A 2016 Toyota Camry reported stolen May 17 from the 9200 block Edmonston Road was recovered June 2 in the 5000 block Wheeler Road in Oxon Hill. Two adult arrests were made. A 2005 Jeep Cherokee reported stolen January 29 from the 6400 block Ivy Lane was recovered June 4 in the 1200 block Jefferson Road in Fort

Washington. It was abandoned after being involved in a hit and run accident.

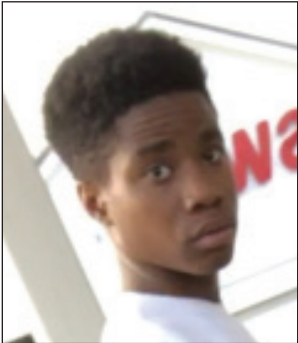
Rear Md. tag 049Z94 was taken from 14 Court Laurel Hill Road.

Identification cards were taken from an unlocked vehicle in the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, and a knife and flashlight were taken from a possibly unlocked vehicle in the 200 block Lakeside Drive.

In the 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace a baby stroller and suitcase, as well as other items not belonging to the vehicle’s owner, were found inside the trunk.

Windows were broken in three vehicles in the 7600 and 7800 blocks Hanover Parkway and 7500 block Greenway Center Drive.

## Critical Missing Person Sought



Harper Kelly Broussard

The Greenbelt Police Department is seeking assistance in locating critical missing person 15-year-old Harper Kelly Broussard (pictured above). He resides in the 4800 block Fox Street in College Park and was last seen on Wednesday, June 5 at 4 p.m. in the 7800 block Lakecrest Drive. He is described as black, 5 feet 7 inches tall, 130 pounds, and was last seen wearing a white shirt with a New Orleans logo on it, black jogging pants and blue Nike sneakers. The only critical factor is age. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Greenbelt Police Department at 301-474-7200.

## Democratic Club Annual Picnic Celebrates Summer

by Konrad Herling

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club’s annual picnic will take place Saturday, June 22 at 3 p.m. at Schrom Hills Park in Greenbelt East. If bringing food or a non-alcoholic drink, check the club’s website, [rooseveltclub.com](http://rooseveltclub.com), to sign up. Further, even if not bringing food, give club president Nicole Williams a call at 202-321-4207 so the club has a good read on how much food will be needed. In addition to enjoying the excellent food, camaraderie and good spirit, no doubt there will be conversation regarding the impasse on infrastructure as well as the investigations which stem from the Mueller Report. The club’s picnic is also a great venue to restore the positive energy needed to get ready for the 2020 campaign. The organization is renowned for its

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faith leaders as the mayor posed questions to the group from an agenda he prepared.

Pastor Glennyce Grindstaff of Greenbelt Community Church praised the city for its many supportive services under Greenbelt CARES, but questioned how the church can better coordinate with the city in not stepping on each other’s toes.

Mayor Emmett Jordan replied that, “A big part of that is just communication. It’s a matter of us making you all aware of the different services we have in terms of counseling for crisis, [the] police department, public works.” He added that the night’s worksession was a great start to better collaboration in the future.

An hour into the night, the tone turned dismal as the faith community weighed in on fears of gun violence in their places of worship. Councilmember Judith Davis asked, “Do you feel safe in your place of worship?”

Not one person in the room could confidently answer in the affirmative.

Then the voice of the sole practicing Hindu in the room, Vijay Parameshwaran, broke the

short silence saying, “I don’t think anyone feels safe.”

Chief Bowers worked his way toward the circle of chairs and delivered his speech on the importance of preparing for the worst now, as active shooter situations are “no longer a question of if, but when.”

He reminded the group that the Greenbelt police department has multiple training programs available based on the baseline level of preparedness for a requesting organization. Some of the faith communities have done little training on active shooter situations, while others like Greenbelt Baptist Church have walked through responsive actions for multiple potential emergency situations with their congregation.

Longtime resident Bill Orleans then reminded those present that one way to prevent an act of terrorism in a Greenbelt place of worship is to be proactive in helping the isolated, lonely individuals who are most at risk to commit these acts.

Members of the Baha’i community and Greenbelt Baptist Church agreed, both citing small

community groups that their organizations have built up to address that concern. Pastor Stephen Unthank said he is encouraging members of his church to be good neighbors to those who live near them, which he said has been successful so far.

Likewise, multiple members of the Baha’i community brought up their small groups that bring solidarity and meals to diverse religious and ethnic communities.

To finish the meeting on a positive note, Jordan encouraged the religious groups to announce any upcoming events.

In Old Greenbelt, St. Hugh of Grenoble is taking donated food down to Washington, D.C., once a month for the So Others Might Eat ministry. Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church is still doing its dog walks every Sunday.

In Greenbelt West, the Rivers of Life AME church in Franklin Park is planning to host a health fair in late July and a literacy program pending receipt of additional help.

*Jesse Nash is a journalism student at the University of Maryland and summer intern for the News Review.*

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Philosopher Dogs (Justice Rock and Roll); Casanova (Sad Bastard Pop); Moose Jaw (Working Class Bluegrass); Super Duper Club (SuperPunk); Honey (Indie Rock the Patriarchy); and The Bachelor and the Bad Actress (Anarchist Honky Tonk). The Bachelor and the Bad Actress includes Harris and his wife Hillary who were married in 2015 at the festival.

Still Standing ended the lineup inside, with a blues all-star jam led by Wave Milor, a frequent act at the café. They offered a mix of blues, American roots, jump, swing and rockabilly.

Harris has been the head coordinator of the festival since 2007. He said that the festival is also a celebration of “diversity on many levels,” be they racial or LGBTQ, for example. Making the festival happen requires many steps, in-

cluding acquiring a city permit, negotiating with and paying the bands, and scheduling and cancellations. Yet, he emphasized that ultimately it is people cooperating that makes it happen.

Indeed, it is a coalition of the Café, FONDCA and the City of Greenbelt that provides the infrastructure. The Café is involved in artist promotion. FONDCA handles much of the fundraising, including a fundraiser in November as well as co-sponsoring the event. The City of Greenbelt

provided a matching grant. In addition, FONDCA received two grants this year, one from the Greenbelt Community Foundation and another from the office of Prince George’s County Council Chair Todd Turner.

Roosevelt Center was brimming with people of all ages, with children wafting bubbles in the air, and the occasional adult taking up a hula hoop or surf dancing on benches. Haney said, the whole philosophy of the day was to be inclusive.

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

**GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Thursday, June 20, 2019**

**GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

**A. GHI Special Open Session Meeting – begins at 7:00 p.m.**

- Vote to Conduct an Executive Session Meeting on June 20, 2019

**B. GHI Executive Session – begins after the GHI Special Open Session Meeting adjourns**

- Approve Minutes of Executive Session Meeting held on May 16, 2019
- Member Financial Matters

**C. GHI Open Session Meeting – starts at 7:45 p.m.**

- Approve Minutes of Special Open Session Meeting Held on May 2, 2019
- Approve Minutes of Special Open Session Meeting Held on May 16, 2019
- Approve Minutes of Regular Open Session Meeting Held on May 16, 2019
- Consider Whether Rules for Rain Barrels Should be Amended
- Review Member Comments re: Administration Building Security Task Force Report
- Review Updated Board of Directors’ Strategic Action Plan
- Vote to Conduct an Executive Session Meeting on July 1, 2019 re: Negotiations with WSSC on Its Proposal to Replace Underground Pipes for Masonry Homes

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Greenbelt Day 2019

# New Plaque Details History Of Greenbelt School Building

by Amy Hansen

First the building was the original Greenbelt High School. Then it was Greenbelt Junior High School. Next it was Greenbelt Middle School. Now it is Dora Kennedy French Immersion with a new wayside panel to celebrate its history. The plaque was unveiled by the Greenbelt City Council on Saturday, June 1. The historical panel, designed and implemented by Megan Young of the Greenbelt Museum, shows the school's various roles and commemorates the students who attended.

Built in the same style as the original Greenbelt homes, the building "is part of the architecture that is basically the framework of all historic Greenbelt," Mayor Emmett Jordan said at the gathering for the unveiling.

The building's various functions are shown in pictures as well as depicted in the text. Young said she was particularly glad to find images that show the diversity of the students as well as the diversity of uses.



Greenbelt Museum Director Megan Young describes her work on the new plaque to Greenbelt City Council members at the unveiling ceremony on Saturday, June 1. The plaque describes the building that started as Greenbelt High School and is now Dora Kennedy French Immersion School.

PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU



A young rider tries out the course at the bike rodeo.



Participants have their bikes tuned up at the Bike Rodeo on Saturday, June 1.

- Photos courtesy of Greenbelt Police Department



Greenbelt Concert Band plays in the gymnasium of the Community Center on June 1.

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## Pathways to Peace Explored By Peace Month Activities

On Friday, June 14, a Peace Sing-along and Solstice Celebration will be held at 6 p.m. with potluck snacks at the Community Center Theater Rehearsal Room, followed at 7 p.m. with singing led by Melissa Sites at the nearby memorial area honoring Greenbelt peacemakers Esther Webb, Bert Donn, Bob Auerbach and Doug Love. Come in the spirit of Peace on Earth. Sponsored by CHEARS (Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society) and Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition. Contact: Maggie Cahalan, [maggie@chears.org](mailto:maggie@chears.org) or Lucy Duff, [justpeacepg@earthlink.net](mailto:justpeacepg@earthlink.net).

On Saturday, June 15, there will be two global affairs presentations beginning at 3 p.m. at the Community Center Multipurpose Room. The first is Empire of Chaos in the Age of Trump on U.S. policy and events leading to the current global economic and political situation, by Bahram Zandi, chair of International Committee, U.S. Green Party. The second is Waging Peace, Not War, about creative approaches in rehabilitating and educating former child soldiers and projects to create opportunities for victims of the decade-long Sierra Leone civil war and its aftermath, by Andrew Benson Greene. Greene is the founder of international networks to build peace in his native Sierra Leone. The UN has adopted Greene's model for intervention in war-torn countries. These are sponsored by Maryland United for Peace and Justice and Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition. Contact: R. Brown, [rdbtenor@gmail.com](mailto:rdbtenor@gmail.com).

On Monday, June 17, the Reel & Meal film series features Purgatorio, at 7 p.m. at the New Deal Café. An optional vegan meal will be served at 6:30 p.m.

The film and discussion focus on the humanitarian crisis at the U.S. southern border.

On Tuesday, June 18, Get Money Out Maryland (GMOM) film show and discussion, 7 p.m., Community Center Multipurpose Room. Program features the film Dark Money, in cooperation with Point of View ([pbs.org/pov](http://pbs.org/pov)). The film reveals vivid examples of corruption in election cycles and the impact of big money on parties and policies. Secret spending in a primary election in Montana stirs strife within the party and a major investigation. Overcoming the effect of big money in our elections and policies is something that many would like to see. Susan Ogden will lead a discussion on how to reclaim democracy so it works for all and thus serves as a foundation of peace. Sponsored by GMOM and Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition. Contact: Susan, [susanfogden@gmail.com](mailto:susanfogden@gmail.com).

On Thursday, June 20, there will be a Women and Peace program by Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Greenbelt, 7 p.m., at the Community Center, Room 114. The speaker, Washington D.C. writer Hillary Chapman, develops the theme that equality of women and men is an essential prerequisite to peace. A co-author of The Calling: Tahirih of Persia and her American Contemporaries, he connects the life and work of Tahirih, the trailblazing female 19th-century Iranian religious-revolutionary leader, with early female reformers and religious leaders such as Sojourner Truth and Susan B. Anthony. Contact: Alice Mformen, [mforalice@comcast.net](mailto:mforalice@comcast.net), or Nancy Joy Allchin, [njallchin@comcast.net](mailto:njallchin@comcast.net).



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Greenbelt-based Girl Scout Troop 27 recently traveled to Catoctin Mountain Park for an overnight trip and hike to Wolf Rock. The Juniors have been working on their Bronze Award, while the Cadettes were recently awarded their Archery badges, among others. They will be leading the Pet Show at the Labor Day Festival.

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